

I. AMENDMENT

A. In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 48, 84, 85, 233 and 234.

1. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for using an order center apparatus to ship a product, the method including the steps of:

producing signals representing a packing list for an order of the product with the order center apparatus, located at an order center, the order center apparatus including a computer having a programmed processor;

assigning waybill shipping information signals to the order with a shipping apparatus including a digital computer;

linking, by digital communication, the signals representing the packing list with the waybill shipping information signals;

receiving the signals representing the packing list at a printer device at a distribution center located separately from the order center;

printing the packing list at the printer device; and

shipping the product specified by the packing list, in accordance with the waybill shipping information signals, from the distribution center.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the step of:
receiving a customized component at the order center apparatus, from an ordering system including a computer; and wherein:

the step of linking includes linking the signals representing the packing list with the signals representing the customized component;

the step of receiving includes receiving the signals representing the customized component at the printer device;

the step of printing includes printing the customized component, along with the packing list and a shipping label, at the printing device; and

the step of shipping is carried out by shipping the customized component, along with the product, from the distribution center.

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of producing signals representing a packing list and said step of printing the packing list are carried out by using flowers as the product.

4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further comprising the step of growing the flowers at the distribution center.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the step of printing includes printing on a sheet in the printer device; and further including the step of:

locating demarcations on the sheet for detaching a shipping label from the packing list at the demarcations.

6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 3, further including the step of locating a perforation on ~~[[the]]~~ a sheet for detaching a shipping label from the packing list at the perforation.

7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

receiving a message at the order center apparatus, from an ordering system including a computer, said message from a user of the ordering system to a recipient of the flowers; and wherein:

the step of linking includes linking the signals representing the packing list with signals representing the message; and

the step of printing includes printing the message, along with the packing list and a shipping label, at the printing device at the distribution center; and

the step of shipping is carried out by shipping the message, along with the product, from the distribution center.

8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, wherein the step of printing includes printing the message at the printing device on a greeting card having preprinted artwork.

9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the step of printing is carried out with the sheet including a greeting card having preprinted artwork and demarcations for detaching the greeting card; and wherein the step of shipping includes separating the packaging list and the greeting card at the demarcations.

10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the step of assigning the waybill shipping information signals includes dynamically assigning the shipping information signals through a TCP/IP connection.

11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the step of:

translating some of the signals, at the order center apparatus, to produce the signals representing the packing list and the shipping list signals in one digital format.

12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the step of printing is carried out with the printing device being a fax machine; and further including the step of connecting the fax machine to a communications system for receiving of the signals representing the packing list and for receiving the shipping information signals.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of connecting includes connecting an open end network gateway to a remote fax server and connecting the remote fax server to the fax machine.

14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of connecting includes connecting a remote fax server with a fax modem in a local calling area of the distribution center and connecting the fax modem to the fax machine.

15. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

associating an order code with said order;

obtaining shipping status information from the shipping apparatus; and

associating the order code with the shipping status information at a machine-readable site having a network gateway address in facilitating access by an ordering system, including a computer, to determine the shipping status associated with the order.

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein said step of shipping includes shipping the product in packaging displaying a network address to facilitate an electronic communication from an ordering system, including a computer, to the order center apparatus.

17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

connecting an ordering system, including a computer, to a network gateway; and
connecting the network gateway to the order center apparatus.

18. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

receiving ordering information at the order center by telephone; and
entering the ordering information as input data to the order center apparatus in producing the signals representing the packing list.

19. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of

producing the product at the distribution center.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of printing includes printing on a sheet in the printer device; and further including the step of

locating a demarcation on a sheet in the printer device for detaching the packing list from a shipping label.

21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of printing includes printing on a sheet in the printer device; and further including the step of locating a perforation on ~~[[the]]~~ a sheet for detaching a shipping label from the packing list at the perforation.

22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of:

receiving signals representing a customized component at the order center apparatus, from an ordering system including a computer, the customized component including a message from a user of the ordering system to a recipient of the product; and wherein:

the step of linking includes linking the signals representing the packing list with the signals representing the customized component;

the step of printing includes printing the customized component, along with the packing list and a shipping label, at the printing device at the distribution center; and

the step of shipping is carried out by shipping the customized component, along with the product, from the distribution center.

23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the step of printing the customized component includes printing the message on a greeting card at the distribution center.

24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the step of printing is carried out by locating a sheet in the printer, the sheet including a greeting card for the message and having preprinted artwork and a demarcation for detaching the greeting card

from the packing list; and further including the step of separating the packing list from the greeting card by tearing the sheet at the demarcation.

25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the step of printing the customized element includes printing a graphical element as part of the customized component.

26. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of assigning the waybill shipping information signals includes dynamically assigning the shipping information signals through a TCP/IP connection.

27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the step of: translating some of the signals, at the order center apparatus, to produce the signals representing the packing list and the shipping signals in one digital format.

28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of printing is carried out by using a fax machine as the printing device; and further including the step of connecting the fax machine to a communications system for the receiving of the signals representing the packing list.

29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, wherein the step of connecting includes connecting via an open end network gateway to a remote fax server and connecting the remote fax server to the fax machine.

30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, wherein the step of connecting includes connecting to a remote fax server with a fax modem in a local calling area of the distribution center for a subsequent communication to the fax machine.

31. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of:

- associating an order code with said order;
- obtaining shipping status information from the shipping apparatus; and
- associating the order code with the status information at a machine-readable site having a network gateway address in facilitating access by a computer to determine shipping status associated with the order.

32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said step of shipping includes shipping the product in packaging displaying a network gateway address to facilitate an electronic communication from an ordering system, including a computer, to the order center apparatus.

33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of:

- connecting an ordering system, including a computer, to a network gateway; and
- connecting the network gateway to the order center apparatus.

34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of

- receiving ordering information at the order center by telephone; and

entering the ordering information as input data to the order center apparatus in producing the signals representing the packing list.

35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

36. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, further including the steps of:

scanning a shipping label to obtain scanning data;

transmitting the scanning data to trigger the step of sending a second electronic communication.

37. (Currently amended) An apparatus ~~A system~~ facilitating a product shipment, the apparatus ~~system~~ including:

an order center apparatus, located at an order center, producing signals representing a packing list for an order of a product, the order center apparatus including a computer having a programmed processor;

a shipping apparatus, including a digital computer, assigning waybill shipping information signals for the order;

a printer device, located at a distribution center located separate from the order center, receiving the signals representing the packing list and the shipping information signals, and printing the packing list at the printer device to facilitate shipping the product specified by the packing list, in accordance with the waybill shipping information signals, from the distribution center.

38. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method for using an order center apparatus to ship a product, the method including the steps of:

receiving an order from a web site at the order center apparatus located at an order center, the order center apparatus including a computer having a processor;

controlling the processor with a computer program to produce signals representing a packing list for the order;

receiving a waybill tracking number receiving from a shipping system including a computer;

associating signals representing the waybill tracking number with said signals representing the order;

locating a printer device at a distribution center separate from the order center and separate from the shipping system;

printing the packing list at the printer device from the signals representing the packing list; and

locating the product identified by the packing list in packaging for courier shipment from the distribution center according to a waybill corresponding to the waybill tracking number.

39. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method for using an order center apparatus to ship a product, the method including the steps of:

- providing the order center apparatus including a computer having a processor controlled by a computer program in producing output signals representing a packing list for an order of the product;
- producing waybill shipping information signals at a shipping system, including a computer;
- connecting the order center apparatus to a communications system, including the Internet, for transmitting the electrical signals representing the packing list;
- connecting the shipping system to a communications system, including the Internet, for transmitting the electrical signals representing the waybill shipping information signals;
- linking the signals representing the order with the signals representing the waybill shipping information;
- locating a printer device linked to the communications system at a distribution center separate from the ordering center and separate from the shipping system;
- receiving the signals representing the packing list at the printer device;
- receiving the signals representing the waybill shipping information signals at the printer device;
- printing a waybill at the printer from the waybill shipping information signals;
- printing a packing list from the signals representing the packing list; and
- shipping the product specified by the packing list, according to the waybill, from the distribution center.

40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein any one of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

41. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

42. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

43. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for using an order center apparatus to enable shipping a gift and a user-composed greeting message to a recipient, the method including the steps of:

specifying the gift and the user-composed greeting message with an ordering system, including a computer, connected to a web site; and

connecting the web site to the order center apparatus including a processor controlled by a computer program to carry out steps of:

linking electronic signals representing the gift with the user-composed greeting message in communicating over the Internet for receipt by the recipient;

controlling the shipping of the gift to the recipient by obtaining shipping waybill data from a shipping apparatus; and

linking signals representing the order with the signals representing the waybill shipping data.

44. (Currently amended) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of communicating the user-composed greeting message is carried out [[by]] using a Blue Mountain [[type]] greeting card and a graphical element.

45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of specifying the gift includes specifying flowers as the gift.

46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of specifying the gift includes specifying flowers; and further including growing the flowers at a distribution center from which the gift is shipped.

47. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method for using an order center apparatus to implement a delivery customized and fulfilled just for a recipient, the method including the steps of:

producing output electrical signals representing an order including a list of necessary intermediates of a flower arrangement for a delivery customized and fulfilled just for a recipient by causing an order center apparatus located at an order center to change input digital electrical signals received from an Internet web page into the output digital electrical signals, the order center apparatus including a computer having a processor, the processor controlled by a computer program;

assigning waybill tracking information signals to the order;

linking, by digital communication, the signals representing the list with the waybill tracking information signals;

communicating the signals representing the list to a printer device at a distribution center located remotely from the order center; and

making the delivery customized and fulfilled just for the recipient, as specified by the list, in accordance with the waybill tracking information signals, from the distribution center.

48. (Cancelled)

49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

52. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

53. (Previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

54. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

55. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

56. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

57. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

58. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

59. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

60. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

61. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

62. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

63. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

64. (Previously presented) The method of claim 17, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

65. (Previously presented) The method of claim 18, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

66. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

67. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

68. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

69. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

70. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

71. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

72. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

73. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

74. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

75. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

76. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

77. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

78. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

79. (Previously presented) The method of claim 32, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

80. (Previously presented) The method of claim 33, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

81. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

82. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

83. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, wherein any two of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

84. (Cancelled)

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86. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

87. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

88. (Previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

89. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

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91. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

92. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

93. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

94. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

95. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

96. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

97. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

98. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

99. (Previously presented) The method of claim 17, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

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101. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

102. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

103. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

104. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

105. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

106. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

107. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

108. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

109. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

110. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

111. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

112. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

113. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

114. (Previously presented) The method of claim 32, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

115. (Previously presented) The method of claim 33, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

116. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

117. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

118. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, wherein all of the steps of assigning shipping information signals, linking by digital communication, and receiving the signals representing the packing list is carried out by communicating over the Internet.

119. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for making a product for shipping by using an order center apparatus, the method including the steps of:
producing signals representing a packing list for an order of the product with the order center apparatus, located at an order center, the order center apparatus including a computer having a programmed processor;

assigning waybill shipping information signals to the order with a shipping apparatus including a digital computer;

linking, by digital communication, the signals representing the packing list with the waybill shipping information signals;

receiving the signals representing the packing list at a printer device at a distribution center located separately from the order center;

printing the packing list at the printer device;

producing the product; and

shipping the product specified by the packing list, in accordance with the waybill shipping information signals, from the distribution center.

120. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for making a product for shipping by using an order center apparatus, the method including the steps of:

receiving an order from a web site at the order center apparatus including a computer having a processor;

controlling the processor with a computer program to the produce signals representing a packing list for the order;

receiving a waybill tracking number receiving from a shipping system including a computer;

associating signals representing the waybill tracking number with said signals representing the order;

locating a printer device at a distribution center separate from the order center and separate from the shipping system;

printing the packing list at the printer device from the signals representing the packing list;

making the product; and

locating the product identified by the packing list in packaging for courier shipment from the distribution center according to a waybill corresponding to the waybill tracking number.

121. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for making a product for shipping by using an order center apparatus, the method including the steps of:

providing the order center apparatus at an order center, the order center apparatus including a computer having a processor controlled by a computer program in producing output signals representing a packing list for an order of the product;

producing waybill shipping information signals at a shipping system, including a computer;

linking the order center apparatus to a communications system, including the Internet, for transmitting the electrical signals representing the packing list;

linking the shipping system to a communications system, including the Internet, for transmitting the electrical signals representing the packing list;

locating a printer device linked to the communications system at a distribution center separate from the ordering center and separate from the shipping system;

receiving the packing list at the printer device;

receiving the signals representing the waybill shipping information signals at the printer device;

printing a waybill at the printer from the waybill shipping information signals;

printing a packing list from the signals representing the packing list;

producing the product; and

shipping the product specified by the packing list, according to the waybill, from the distribution center.

122. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented process for making a product for shipping, the process including the steps of:

enabling a user of an ordering system to ship the product as a gift and communicate a message to a recipient by connecting the ordering system, including a computer, to a web site;

making the product for the shipping; and

connecting the web site to the order center apparatus including a processor controlled by a computer program to carry out steps of:

linking electronic signals representing the gift with the message in communicating over the Internet for receipt by the recipient;

controlling the shipping of the gift to the recipient by obtaining shipping waybill data from a shipping apparatus; and

linking signals representing the order with the signals representing the waybill shipping data.

123. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for making a product for shipping by using an order center apparatus to implement a delivery customized and fulfilled just for a recipient, the method including the steps of:

producing output electrical signals representing a list of necessary intermediates of a flower arrangement as the product for a delivery customized and fulfilled just for a recipient by causing an order center apparatus located at an order center to change input digital electrical signals received from an Internet web page into the output digital electrical signals, the order

center apparatus including a computer having a processor, the processor controlled by a computer program;

assigning waybill tracking information signals to the order;

linking, by digital communication, the signals representing the list with the waybill tracking information signals;

communicating the signals representing the list to a printer device at a distribution center located remotely from the order center;

making the product; and

making the delivery customized and fulfilled just for the recipient, as specified by the list, in accordance with the waybill tracking information signals, from the distribution center.

124. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

125. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

126. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

127. (Previously presented) The method of claim 47, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

128. (Previously presented) The method of claim 119, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

129. (Previously presented) The method of claim 120, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

130. (Previously presented) The method of claim 121, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

131. (Previously presented) The process of claim 122, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

132. (Previously presented) The method of claim 123, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

133. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

134. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

135. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, further including the steps of:
prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a
charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center
apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and
subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second
electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

136. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, further including the steps of:
prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a
charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center
apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and
subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second
electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

137. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, further including the steps
of:
prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a
charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center
apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and
subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second
electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

138. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, further including the steps
of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

139. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including the steps of:

prior to carrying out the step of shipping the product, verifying availability on a charge card to pay for the product with an electrical communication from the order center apparatus to a charge card system, including a computer; and

subsequent to carrying out the step of shipping the product, sending a second electronic communication to the charge card system to obtain payment for the product.

140. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

141. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

142. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

143. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

144. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

145. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

146. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including the steps of:
providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

147. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, further including the steps
of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to
receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

148. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, further including the steps
of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to
receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

149. (Previously presented) The method of claim 47, further including the steps
of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to
receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

150. (Previously presented) The method of claim 119, further including the steps
of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to
receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

151. (Previously presented) The method of claim 120, further including the steps of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

152. (Previously presented) The method of claim 121, further including the steps of:

providing a telephone for receiving ordering information as an alternative to receiving the ordering information over the Internet; and
entering the ordering information into the order center apparatus.

153. (Currently amended) ~~The method of claim 1, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order~~ The method of claim 2, further including the ~~step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.~~ The method of claim 2, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

154. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

155. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

156. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

157. (Previously presented) The method of claim 6, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

158. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

159. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

160. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

161. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

162. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

163. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

164. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

165. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

166. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

167. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

168. (Previously presented) The method of claim 17, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

169. (Previously presented) The method of claim 18, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

170. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

171. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

172. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

173. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

174. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

175. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

176. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

177. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

178. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

179. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

180. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

181. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

182. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

183. (Previously presented) The method of claim 32, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

184. (Previously presented) The method of claim 33, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

185. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

186. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

187. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

188. (Previously presented) The method of claim 37, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

189. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

190. (Previously presented) The method of claim 40, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

191. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

192. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

193. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

194. (Previously presented) The method of claim 44, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

195. (Previously presented) The method of claim 45, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

196. (Previously presented) The method of claim 46, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

197. (Previously presented) The method of claim 47, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

198. (Previously presented) The method of claim 49, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

199. (Previously presented) The method of claim 50, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

200. (Previously presented) The method of claim 51, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

201. (Previously presented) The method of claim 52, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

202. (Previously presented) The method of claim 53, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

203. (Previously presented) The method of claim 54, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

204. (Previously presented) The method of claim 55, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

205. (Previously presented) The method of claim 56, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

206. (Previously presented) The method of claim 57, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

207. (Previously presented) The method of claim 58, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

208. (Previously presented) The method of claim 59, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

209. (Previously presented) The method of claim 60, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

210. (Previously presented) The method of claim 61, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

211. (Previously presented) The method of claim 62, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

212. (Previously presented) The method of claim 63, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

213. (Previously presented) The method of claim 64, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

214. (Previously presented) The method of claim 65, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

215. (Previously presented) The method of claim 66, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

216. (Previously presented) The method of claim 67, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

217. (Previously presented) The method of claim 68, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

218. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

219. (Previously presented) The method of claim 70, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

220. (Previously presented) The method of claim 71, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

221. (Previously presented) The method of claim 72, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

222. (Previously presented) The method of claim 73, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

223. (Previously presented) The method of claim 74, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

224. (Previously presented) The method of claim 75, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

225. (Previously presented) The method of claim 76, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

226. (Previously presented) The method of claim 77, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

227. (Previously presented) The method of claim 78, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

228. (Previously presented) The method of claim 79, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

229. (Previously presented) The method of claim 80, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

230. (Previously presented) The method of claim 81, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

231. (Previously presented) The method of claim 82, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

232. (Previously presented) The method of claim 83, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

233. (Cancelled)

234. (Cancelled)

235. (Previously presented) The method of claim 86, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

236. (Previously presented) The method of claim 87, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

237. (Previously presented) The method of claim 88, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

238. (Previously presented) The method of claim 89, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

239. (Previously presented) The method of claim 90, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

240. (Previously presented) The method of claim 91, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

241. (Previously presented) The method of claim 92, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

242. (Previously presented) The method of claim 93, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

243. (Previously presented) The method of claim 94, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

244. (Previously presented) The method of claim 95, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

245. (Previously presented) The method of claim 96, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

246. (Previously presented) The method of claim 97, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

247. (Previously presented) The method of claim 98, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

248. (Previously presented) The method of claim 99, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

249. (Previously presented) The method of claim 100, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

250. (Previously presented) The method of claim 101, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

251. (Previously presented) The method of claim 102, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

252. (Previously presented) The method of claim 103, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

253. (Previously presented) The method of claim 104, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

254. (Previously presented) The method of claim 105, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

255. (Previously presented) The method of claim 106, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

256. (Previously presented) The method of claim 107, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

257. (Previously presented) The method of claim 108, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

258. (Previously presented) The method of claim 109, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

259. (Previously presented) The method of claim 110, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

260. (Previously presented) The method of claim 111, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

261. (Previously presented) The method of claim 112, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

262. (Previously presented) The method of claim 113, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

263. (Previously presented) The method of claim 114, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

264. (Previously presented) The method of claim 115, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

265. (Previously presented) The method of claim 116, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

266. (Previously presented) The method of claim 117, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

267. (Previously presented) The method of claim 118, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order.

268. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet for waybill shipping in accordance with the order.

269. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

270. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

271. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

272. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

273. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

274. (Previously presented) The method of claim 6, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

275. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

276. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

277. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

278. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

279. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

280. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

281. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

282. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

283. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

284. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

285. (Previously presented) The method of claim 17, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

286. (Previously presented) The method of claim 18, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

287. (Previously presented) The method of claim 19, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

288. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

289. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

290. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

291. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

292. (Previously presented) The method of claim 24, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

293. (Previously presented) The method of claim 25, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

294. (Previously presented) The method of claim 26, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

295. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

296. (Previously presented) The method of claim 28, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

297. (Previously presented) The method of claim 29, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

298. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

299. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

300. (Currently amended) The method of claim 32, further including the step of providing order tracking and ~~delivery~~ delivery information over the Internet.

301. (Previously presented) The method of claim 33, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

302. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

303. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

304. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

305. (Previously presented) The method of claim 37, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

306. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

307. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

308. (Previously presented) The method of claim 40, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

309. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

310. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

311. (Previously presented) The method of claim 43, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

312. (Previously presented) The method of claim 44, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

313. (Previously presented) The method of claim 45, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

314. (Previously presented) The method of claim 46, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

315. (Previously presented) The method of claim 47, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

316. (Previously presented) The method of claim 48, further including the step of providing order tracking and delivery information over the Internet.

317. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for processing a product order, the method comprising:

at an order processing center computer[[:]] :

receiving customer order data identifying a product to be shipped to a recipient address;

transmitting data over a data network to a courier computer system, the transmitted data identifying the recipient shipping address;

receiving a response from the courier computer system, the response comprising data representing a shipping waybill;

determining packing list data based on the customer order data;
combining the shipping waybill data with the packing list data to form an
integrated shipping record;
electronically transmitting the integrated shipping record from the order
processing center to a remotely located distribution center; and
at the distribution center; [[; and]]
printing the integrated shipping record to allow separation of waybill and packing
list components to facilitate shipping of the product specified by the packing list component in
accordance with the waybill component.

318. (Previously presented) The method of claim 317, wherein the data
transmitted to the courier computer system further comprises an origination address and
shipping cost determination data.

319. (Previously presented) The method of claim 318, wherein the shipping cost
determination data comprises product weight data.

320. (Previously presented) The method of claim 319, further comprising
determining the product weight data by querying a database storing records associating
products with weight.

321. (Previously presented) The method of claim 317, wherein:
the customer order data further comprising data representing a customized
message directed to the recipient;

combining to form an integrated shipping record further comprises combining the data representing the customized message with the waybill data and the product list data; and
printing the integrated shipping record further comprises printing the customized message on a media to be included in packaging shipped to the recipient.

322. (Previously presented) The method of claim 321, wherein the media comprises a greeting card.

323. (Previously presented) The method of claim 317, further comprising:
transmitting a order confirmation comprising a tracking number derived from the shipping waybill.

324. (Previously presented) The method of claim 317, wherein the product to be shipped comprises fresh flowers.

325. (Previously presented) The method of claim 324, wherein the distribution center is co-located with a fresh flower production facility providing a supply of fresh flowers for shipping.

326. (New) The process of claim 122, further including the step of communicating an email confirmation of the order to an electronic address of the ordering system computer.